

COUNTY INCOME FROM SALE OF FARM PRODUCTS STILL BELOW 1920 LEVEL BUT FAR ABOVE 1930 AND 1940 INCOMES



We Can't Stand Still... It's Either Forward Or Backward, Which Is It To Be, Decatur?

Decatur has some decisions to make at this hour which will determine whether or not we will continue to grow as a city or "fade away."

Like a growing boy who suddenly discovers he is stretching out in every direction, we are "bursting at the seams."

Speaking from a civic viewpoint, our pants are too short, our shirt is too tight, our hat is too small and frayed at the brim.

We have too many cars for our street and highway systems. We have too many customers for our water and sewer systems and more clamoring to tie into the utilities. We have too many people for our houses, rooms and apartments. Our entertainment facilities are jammed beyond capacity. Even our churches and schools feel the increasing pressure of growth.

This is an hour in which we must take a long range view of the future and plan for many years ahead.

In the past few years we have been running hard, not meeting the future, but merely trying to catch up with the present. Recently the civic improvement of this awakened city has been able only to bring up to date the civic housekeeping jobs we have neglected so long.

We have done well these last five or six years. That is we have met each crisis with a temporary answer.

Now comes the moment of greatest courage for our citizenship.

In this moment we must think in terms of the future and have enough nerve to tackle "big jobs."

Specifically we mean such as these:

We must plan and build a water distribution system to care for increasing needs of present homes and encourage further home building and industrial installations.

We must match that water distribution system with an equally adequate sewer system.

Then we must look into the future for additional soft water sheds and reconcile ourselves to expansion of our water processing plant—maybe build even another plant.

We must shake off the lethargy and examine with intelligent thought of these important problems which affect us all.

We must think of office space demands. A premium on the market now. No city is larger than its office space. We must think of housing too.

We must look far into the future and encourage and push to highest success the many "better farming and ranching programs" undertaken here.

It all adds up to a whole of a job. A job that will separate the boys from the men in the next few years in Decatur history.

NEWARK ELECTION

We have a letter from Lonie M. Yoakum, mayor of Newark, asking us to state that two City Aldermen will be elected in the coming City Election at Newark.

Marriage should improve the human species, becoming a barrier against vice, a protection to woman, strength to man, and a center for the affections. —Mary Baker Eddy

The happiness of married life depends upon making small sacrifices with readiness and cheerfulness. John Selden



A comparison of incomes from the sales of farm products in Wise County during the past 20 years offer some startling figures.

For instance, did you know that 30 years ago, in 1920, Wise County sold 7.7 million dollars worth of farm products and that in 1950 Wise County sold 6.1 millions of the same commodities.

That's quite a difference, especially if you take into consideration the cost of operation in 1920 as compared to 1950. It's easy to see that many more dollars remain in the pockets of Wise County farmers in 1920 than in 1950 because it did not take half as much money to buy the same article then as now.

Twenty years ago, 1930, Wise County had dropped from the 7.7 millions of 1920 to only 2.6 million dollars, a difference and drop of 5 million dollars in the income from farm products.

Of course, the depression was just beginning, but most are of the opinion that the number and size of farms had dropped considerably from 1920-1930.

In 1940 the drop in income had continued with only 1.7 million dollars worth of farm products sold. This is probably the low ebb in sales, since the 1950 total soars back to 6.1 millions.

Back ten to twenty years ago was the beginning of the dairy business in Wise County on a large scale, which probably shows more of the increase than any one other commodity.

The expenses of operation nowadays offset much of the actual profit as compared to ten, twenty and thirty years ago, but at least it is gratifying to know that it is again on the upgrade.

Web Maddox Of Ft. Worth Is Lions Club Speaker Wednesday

Members of the Lions Club last Wednesday heard Web Maddox, Fort Worth businessman twice president of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, speak on the conditions of the world today, and the present case of wondering just what is going to happen, and what is the best procedure to follow for myself and my business. He was introduced by C. P. Dodson.

His talk was very timely and expressed the opinions of most of those present. The remedy for the situation still remains the question, but individuals were urged to take more individual responsibility in not "letting John do it."

The thought provoking address was well received, and caused much comment among members.

MORE RAIN THAN IN 6 MONTHS FELL LAST WEEK END

More rain has fallen in Decatur the past week than in the past eight months.

Saturday afternoon and night brought 8 1/2 inch here, but reports from the south, north and east gave the measure anywhere from an inch to 1 1/2 inches.

Then Sunday night another rain with high wind, lightning and some hail brought an additional 4 1/2 inch of moisture, making the two day total 13 inches.

This rain was indeed welcome and is the most in two days since October when we had two inches.

March winds lost no time in arriving, Friday morning bringing us a gale from the west which further indicated spring is on the way.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McPherson of Nederland, Texas are the proud parents of a little daughter, Mickie Lynne, who made her appearance on the 17th of February. The infant weighed 9 pounds.

The mother is the former Marion Dell Lewis, daughter of Mrs. Pearl Lewis, Decatur.

T. L. Tucker, was able to return of his home Friday, after being ill in a local hospital the past three months. His many friends were glad to see him down town for a few minutes Monday morning.

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The Red Cross Needs Your Help

CHAIRMEN FOR COUNTY NAMED AS DRIVE OPENS IN FULL FORCE

Mrs. Zack Sensibaugh of Decatur advises that the County organization for Red Cross Fund Drive is completed with the exception of three communities where a chairman is yet to be found. These communities are Newark, Allison and Willow Point—it is hoped to have someone in these communities this week.

The following men and women have accepted chairmanship over the county:

Decatur Mrs. F. R. Mack Bridgeport Mrs. Vic Baldridge (Womans Club) Paradise Mmes. Harms, Albritton and Stutt

Boyd Mr. James Petty Rhame Mrs. Carl Slay (Study Club) Blewett Mrs. A. B. Van Meter

Greenwood Mrs. Newton Maxwell Sijdel Miss Melba Christian Sycamore Mrs. Bob Young Alvord Mrs. C. P. Crawford Chico Mrs. Pearl Garrett Park Springs Miss Georgia McKinney

Oak Grove Mr. Joe Wilhite Honewell Mr. Earl Hodges Pleasant Grove Mrs. Cecil Collins

New Salem Mr. Will Phillips Balazora Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bullard

Boonsville Mrs. Josie Byrd Oak Grove Mr. Joe Wilhite

Josie Byrd, chairman for Oak Grove, is first in the county to end in contributions from Oak Grove Church in the amount of \$20.04. The county organization appreciates his promptness.

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It is hoped you will be as generous as possible to this Red Cross appeal for funds as the need is great, both overseas and on the home front.

In addition to serving veterans with their claims and home service which as a connecting link between servicemen and home, Wise County chapter the past year has added the Blood Program, two visits having been made to the County by Red Cross Mobile Unit at Decatur in September and Bridgeport in December, the county will be visited again in the very near future for donations of blood for our servicemen in Korea.

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Texas Public Schools Democracy in Action

EASTERN STAR AND MASONIC LODGES FETE TEACHERS OF DECATUR SCHOOLS TONIGHT AT THE LODGE HALL, 7:15

Climaxing Public School Week, members of the Eastern Star and Masonic Lodges will entertain the teachers of the Decatur High and Elementary schools with a dinner tonight in the lodge rooms at 7:15.

Public School Week has been sponsored by the Masons the past two years as an inducement for more parents to become acquainted with the schools, teachers, and the classrooms.

Each year the program has grown, each year more people become interested, in what the Masonic Lodge believes to be the seat of Americanism and the perpetuation of a way of life.

Today members of the Lions

Club had a school program, and all businessmen and their employees were urged to visit the schools sometime during the school day.

Tonight the teachers are being honored for the important role they play in molding the lives of the boys and girls who are the citizens of tomorrow. A very short program has been arranged preceding the dinner.

All Masons and their wives and Eastern Star members and their husbands are urged to attend. Some thirty-five teachers will also be present with their wives or husbands.

If you haven't visited the school recently, you are urged to do so during the remainder of this week. Public School Week in Texas.

MEMO TO ALL PARENTS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

SUBJECT

Public School Week in Texas

DATE

March 2 through 8

SLOGAN

"Texas Public Schools—Democracy in Action"

OBJECTIVE

To acquaint all our people with the programs and accomplishments of our public educational systems.

THOUGHT

Remember the little old Red School House? There have been plenty of changes, many improvements, but there is still room for more. The schools teach children to enjoy the benefits of Democracy, how to become good citizens. During Public School Week every citizen should go back to school and see how well they are doing the job they were designated to do. Out of these schools will come the future leaders in government, finance, literature, sports, education and so on. They are the people who must fight Communism.

Public Schools are our investment in Democracy, take a look at your schools, not only during Public Schools Week, but a 11 through the year.

Services Held Friday For Mrs. Nichols In Grapevine Church

Funeral services for Mrs. Sidney Ann Russell Nichols were held at the First Methodist Church in Grapevine Friday afternoon February 29 at 4 p. m. conducted by ministers Rev. Morris C. Smith, Decatur, Rev. Smith, Grapevine, and Rev. McQuay of Perrin, Texas.

Interment was in Grapevine Cemetery with 3 grandsons as casket bearers, James Weise, Lubbock, J. D. Nichols, Fort Worth, Abner Nichols, Chico, and Bill McQuay, Mineral Wells. George Brown, Sabinaw, J. E. Fouts, Jr., Grapevine.

She departed this life at the home of her daughters, Mrs. A. E. Weise, Roswell, New Mexico, Wednesday, 4:50 p. m., February 27.

She is survived by 2 sons and one daughter, Abner Russell Nichols, Mineral Wells, Chester Arthur Nichols, Decatur, Mrs. A. E. Weise, Roswell, New Mexico, 7 grand children and ten great grand children.

Mrs. Nichols was born in Monroe, La. Feb. 12, 1853, came to Texas when three years old, where she has lived her entire life, except two years in New Mexico.

She was married to Jefferson Davis Nichols, November 11, 1880. Mr. Nichols passed on July 31, 1929. Since that time she has made her home with her daughter.

She was converted when quite young and united with the Methodist Church although unable to attend church much the past several years, she has always been interested in the progress of Christianity.

Among those attending the funeral from Decatur were E. L. Gantt, G. C. Rann, Miss Beil Ford, Mmes. Joe Reeves, B. A. Man, Floyd Doyle, Hazel Martineau, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wren, C. L. Hull, Syl Hardwick, Bill Hill, Ben Moore, Melvin Crisp and E. B. Harrison.

Bible Verse

Ephesians 2:1-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith . . . it is the gift of God.

SLIDELL GOES TO STATE FOLLOWING IMPRESSIVE WINS IN REGIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

A furious scoring in the final four minutes of play enabled Slidell to smash Prairie Valley, 59 to 33, Saturday afternoon at Joe Perkins Gym to win the Region III Class B boys high school title and a trip to the state meet in Austin next week.

Leading by a slender 3-point margin, the Slidell quint caught fire behind the shooting of Ancel Fortenberry to roll up 15 points to make a shambles of the fast battle. Fortenberry had a game total of 19 points. Slidell boasted a 5-point lead at the half, 27 to 22.

Prairie Valley went into the finals on a 42 to 33 victory over Blum, while Slidell defeated Brock, 59 to 49, to reach the titular round.

Fortenberry scored 16 points in the semifinals victory for Slidell. Slidell led Brock by 5 points going into the third period, 24 to 19.

H. G. Woodruff came in Tuesday and renewed his subscription to the Messenger for five years, saying he can't remember to do it when it usually expires, so he will run it far enough ahead not to have to worry for a while.

Thanks Senator.

Services Held For Two Decatur Men Killed In a Truck Accident Near Granbury Early Monday Morning

Two men were killed and another injured when a trailer truck jack-knifed, missed a bridge and overturned about 5 a. m. Monday two miles north of Granbury on the farm-to-market road to Weatherford.

Dead are Oliver Webster Moore, 28, driver of the truck, and William Herman Webb, 21, both of Decatur. Don Matney of Decatur is hospitalized in Granbury suffering from cuts, lacerations and shock.

The men were pinned under the truck when found by Troy Bryan of Granbury. A wrecker was called to aid in removing them. They had left Decatur at 3 a. m. for Waco to pick up a load of furniture.

They were employed by Herb Cox.

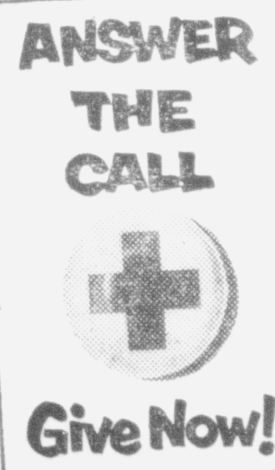
Services were held in Christian Funeral Chapel at 4 p. m. Tuesday for William Herman Webb, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Webb of Decatur.

The funeral of Oliver Webster Moore, 28, driver of the truck, in which a third man, Don Matney, was injured, was held Wednesday afternoon in the Baptist Church at New

More Registrants With Area Draft Board Are Announced

We are submitting herewith a list of registrants recently registered with this board from Wise County, Texas.

Robert Harry Wilson
Freddie Lee Womack
David York Webb, Jr.
John Robert Shaw
William Augustus Brown
Benny Earl Price
Gordon Ray Odum
Victor Ronald Paschall
Harry Eugene Biagg
Jim Bob Paschall
Pat Aubrey Tibbets
Billy Ray Odell
Lloyd Kay Clark
Harold Dean Tasker
Harold Raymond Cheves
Gene Wesley Batterton
Milton Dale Wiley
Franklin Delano Bryant
Richard Johnson Ivy





Every minute in fiscal 1953 the Administration plans to spend \$162,565 of the taxpayers' money. That is what an \$85 billion budget means.

RALPH MAN IS EDITOR OF PAPER AT BAYLOR U.

A front page story with a two column picture in the Daily Lariat, Baylor University daily newspaper, announced the appointment of Ralph Man, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Man, as editor of that paper for the spring term beginning March 5.

The story was as follows:

Ralph Man, senior journalism and English major from Decatur, will be spring term editor of the Daily Lariat.

This was announced after a meeting of the Board of Publications Wednesday afternoon by Dr. W. J. Thomas, chair-

man of the board.

Man is a member of Sigma Delta Chi, national honorary journalism fraternity. He transferred in the fall of 1950 from Decatur Baptist College where he was editor of the 1950 Summit school yearbook.

At Baylor he has been reporter-copy reader, proof reader, night editor and reporting class laboratory assistant for the Lariat.

Publication days for the Lariat will be Tuesday through Friday.

Ralph Man, Baylor University senior from Decatur, has recently been elected editor for the Spring Quarter of the Lariat, campus newspaper.

Man, the son of Mr. and

Mrs. B. A. Man of Box 60 in



SCRIPTURE: Acts 20:17-27; 22:3-29; 11:24-33; Philippians 3:4-7
DEVOTIONAL READING: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17.

Balance Sheet

Lesson for March 9, 1952

IT is not every man who at the close of his life can look back and say that life has brought him more than it took away. Death, or the approach of death, is a reminder it is time to balance our books. There was a man named Paul sitting in a Roman prison. He was to be tried on a capital charge, and there was no certainty that he would be acquitted.

Yet if the Romans had only known it, that solitary prisoner, whose very food was provided by the charity of friends, was the happiest man in Rome. He looked back over his eventual life and in a letter to his friends, while admitting that he had lost much, counted everything well lost in comparison to what he had gained. The balance sheet of Paul's life showed no deficit, but an enormous balance on the credit side.

Losses Written Off

PAUL gave several thumbnail autobiographies, some of which are included in the Scripture readings for this week. So we know pretty well what he had to give up.

What would strike most of us today is his loss of comfort and security. Modern Americans want above all to be comfortable and secure.

Probably Paul missed comfort and security as much as any man, for he was born to both. But as an "ambassador of Christ" he had had to give all this up.

He had long since exhausted whatever money he may have had; he had to work at hard manual labor to support himself; he was a constant traveler, which in those days did not mean Cadillac cars, Pullmans or even foam-rubber bus seats; it meant dirt and fleas and bad food and seasickness and wrecks (we know of four he had); it meant sometimes being half-starved, sometimes robbed and always in danger of armed robbery.

His Worst Losses?

BUT there was worse. A wise man does not count hardships his heaviest losses. To lose freedom is more serious. And Paul (when he wrote to the Philippians) had been under arrest for more than four years. He had been jailed at Jerusalem first, then for two years in Caesarea, then a journey in chains to Rome, and then in Rome for we don't know just how long.

Paul was just the temperament that feels imprisonment most keenly. Active, vigorous, always on the go, the four walls of a cell or even the four walls of a house must have galled him terribly. But perhaps worst of all was loss of standing in his home community.

He was born both a Jew and a Roman (as a Jew today may be a good American or a good Frenchman too); but the Jews looked on him as a traitor to his race, a man not fit to live; while the Romans regarded him as a crackpot at best, a subversive agitator at worst.

Whatever advantages Paul had had at birth or by education, he had definitely lost long before the end.

Credit Balance

YET Paul, in writing up the balance sheet of his life, calls everything he had lost so much trash, in comparison with what he had gained. To his mind it was like losing a truck-load of ashes and finding one diamond.

We ourselves, not being, alas! saints, if we had fixed up his balance sheet, would have put some items on the credit side that he does not mention. After all, he was then and still is Christendom's first citizen.

For many of us, and all of us call him Saint, which means he belongs to God's aristocracy. You can afford to lose a good deal for that. He was also, and still is, close to the top, if not at the top, of the list of the most influential men in the world's history, aside from Christ himself. He is this, because almost half the books in the New Testament were written by him. Yet he does not say, speaking of his life's hardships, "I count these things as nothing in comparison with my position as leader . . . my contribution to the Bible."

We know what his life-ambitions were: "to testify the good news of the grace of God"; "to gain Christ—to know him—to share the power of his resurrection, the fellowship of his sufferings"; and "by all means to win some." These things he did; these things no hardships and no enemies could keep him from doing. With these things on life's credit side, the debits were trifling.



CITY PHARMACY, Decatur

Decatur, is majoring in Journalism and English at the university. His minor subject is history. He is the Winter Quarter reporter for the Senior Class, and a member of Sigma Delta Chi, national professional fraternity for journalists.

Before coming to the university, Man attended Decatur High School and Decatur Baptist College.

Baptist Revival Dates Are Set For April 20-27 With Daily Services

April 20 through the 27th has been set aside for a Spring Revival by the congregation of the First Baptist Church.

The visiting Evangelist, Bible Scholar and author, will be Dr. J. P. McBeth of Dallas.

Services will be held twice daily.

Thank You

The Wise Co. Home Demonstration Council, under the leadership of the agent, Miss Helen McMahon, wish to thank everyone that helped in any way to make the Bake Sale a success.

Printed Service To Stop This Month

NEW YORK. Printed Service, the "readyprint" or "patent insides" to which many a newspaper owes its origin, will be discontinued March 29. For Western Newspaper Union, whose officials announced the decision this week, it marks the end of an era.

This fixture of weekly newspapering since Civil War days has fallen victim to raising cost of newsprint production and distribution—coupled with a declining need for a pre-printed service because of faster, more modern news and feature dissemination methods.

The decision to suspend the service, according to Farwell W. Perry, Western Newspaper Union president, " . . . because mounting costs require a price increase which would have taken the service out of the category of sound economic value for most weekly papers."

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clifton and son Billy, attended the TCU and SMU basketball game in Dallas last Saturday night.

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Cattle Raisers To Meet In Ft. Worth

Members of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association will hold their 75th 17-19. Association president, annual convention here March Ray W. Willoughby of San Antonio has announced.

More than 2,000 members and their wives are expected to attend the three-day meeting which will be held in Hotel Texas.

Make Caribbean Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hawkins and Dr. and Mrs. Harold Schillings of Bridgeport arrived back home this week after a two week tour of the Caribbean. They sailed from New Orleans aboard "Monarch of the Sea" to San Juan, Puerto Rico, and returned by Pan-American Airlines visiting Ciudad Trujillo Dominican Republic, Port-Au-Prince, Haiti, Kingston, Jamaica, Havana, Cuba, Miami and New Orleans.

The report a swell time.

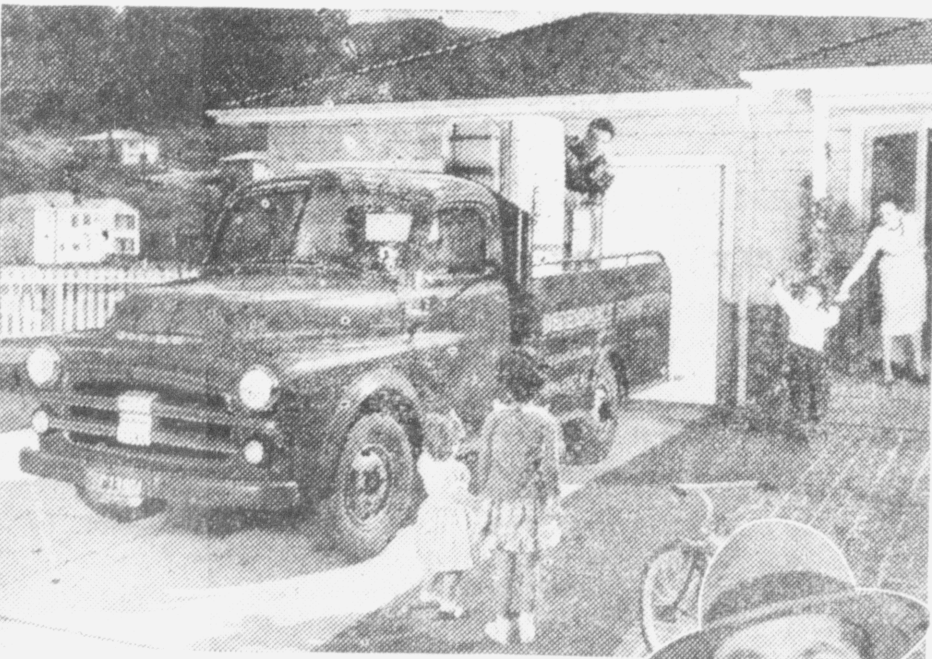


Think WATSON-LEONARD

475 You'll feel like sending yourself a bouquet when you have planned a complete insurance program. The peace of mind alone is well worth it. We're here to serve you.



Facts truck owners should know about hauling bigger payloads



"With our new Dodge, the payload is high, the cost per mile low!"

. . . says MORRIS SAPIR

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Frank Dixon Hardiwick is now employed by the United Press, news gathering agency, with offices in Dallas, having started work in Dallas Monday morning.

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From where I sit . . . by Joe Marsh

They Do "Give A Hoot" For Easy

Easy Roberts finally got rid of the noisy pigeons that used to whoop it up under his eaves.

He must have tried a dozen ways to scare them off. But no matter what he did, they would be right back cooing by his window the next morning.

Then Easy thought of an old stuffed owl he had in his attic. He propped it on the roof so's all the pigeons could see it. They left . . . and three hoot owls have taken their place. Easy swears the hooting is even worse than the cooing of the pigeons.

From where I sit, quite often a "bright idea" will turn out to be "not so bright" after all. That's why we should never be too cocksure of our ideas and opinions—but always try to keep an open mind. I believe a refreshing glass of beer is the best thirst-quencher—you may believe differently. But who's to say one's right and the other is wrong? Let's just practice tolerance. It'll save a lot of hootin' and hollerin'.

Joe Marsh

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Mt. Preskitt H. D.
Club Meeting

A very interesting and helpful program was brought to the Mt. Preskitt H. D. Club on the living room to meet the family needs and better lighting by county home demonstration agent Miss Helen McMahan and Mrs. Walker with the R. E. A. The club met in the home of Mrs. Earl Mooney at 1:30 p. m. February 25th. Slide pictures were shown and suggestions were given on better arrangement and furnishing the living room to accommodate each family's need.

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Refreshments were served to the seven members present and two visitors, Miss Helen McMahan and Mrs. Walker.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Leona Crowder, Monday March 10th.

James Mote On Dean's Honor List

James Mote of Decatur, has earned a place on the Oklahoma A&M College dean's list of distinguished students for the 1951-52 fall semester.

Majoring in agriculture, Mote grades averaging "B" or higher was among students who made in a minimum of 15 college hours. Distinguished students must also have records unmarred by "D", incomplete, conditional or failing grades.

Watch For Whooping Cough In The Coming Months

Inasmuch as the incident of whooping cough in Texas is expected to show an increase during the coming months, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, releases a statement today urging that strenuous efforts be made to control the spread of this debilitating childhood disease. There were 1,273 cases reported during the first 5 weeks of this year.

"Whooping cough can only be contracted by direct exposure to the disease, and isolation of cases must be universally practiced if the incidence is to be controlled," Dr. Cox stated.

"The infectious agent or germ of whooping cough is transmitted by droplets expelled in coughing, sneezing, or

discharges from the nose and speaking," Dr. Cox said. "The throat are dangerous to susceptible persons; the need for early recognition and careful isolation of whooping cough is obvious. Your family physician should be called at the first sign."

"The first symptom of this disease is usually a dry cough, which persists day and night and tends to become increasingly severe. The disease is fully developed when vomiting of food and whooping accompany the paroxysm of cough. Dr. Cox stressed the fact that children who have whooping cough should not attend school or come in contact with other children until three weeks after the appearance of typical signs of the disease."

"Prevention and control of whooping cough, especially among infants and small children, may be accomplished through use of approved vaccine and contact-seen serum," Dr. Cox asserted, and it is important that such measures be taken to protect them. Neglecting to do so, and allowing the young child to suffer an attack of this disease, may seriously impair his future health."



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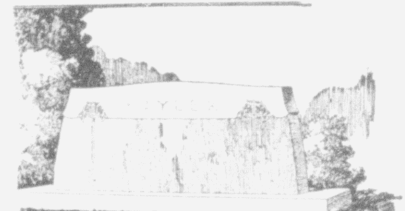
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This Tastes Good In Wise County

By Helen McMahan
County Home Dem. Agent
Recipe of the Week
Zesty French Dressing

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Greenwood Pie Supper March 8

The Greenwood Cemetery Society will sponsor a "Pie Supper" on Saturday night, March 8, at the Greenwood School.

The public is invited to attend.

The parents of A. L. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Duncan of Temple, Texas spent the week end with their son and family.

Mrs. John Cartwright visited Mrs. Sallie Young in Fort Worth last week.

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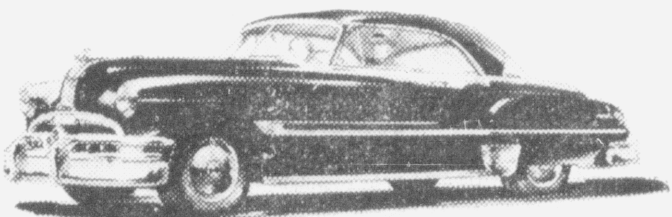
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Drouth Bites Deep Into This Year's Wheat Crop

This spring's wheat crop already severely damaged by extended drouth and insect infestation in many areas, must soon have moisture in good quantities or very little grain will be harvested.

This is the bleak outlook reported by farm agents from 24 surrounding counties in Texas and Oklahoma where an estimated 1,300,000 acres of wheat were seeded for this year's crop.

The crop situation this year is very similar to that of last season when lack of moisture (at the proper time) cut sharply the number of acres harvested as compared to acres seeded. Last year's seeded acreage in the 24 counties was estimated at 1,351,000, 9,000 less than this season's estimate.

Agents in 12 of the 24 counties surveyed reported severe drouth conditions and poor crop prospects as of Feb. 1. Those not classifying the situation severe in their counties cautiously reported a sub-surface moisture running low and only enough surface moisture to see the crop through the next several days at most.

While prospects generally are regarded as poor, the grain in Wichita and Wilbarger Counties is in remarkably good shape considering the dry weather and curvatures. A two inch rain within a week or ten days could bring an almost normal crop for the immediate Wichita Falls area.

Drouth conditions in this area have been reported as the worst in 20 years by Louis P. Merrill, Fort Worth regional director with the Soil Conservation Service.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our friends for the kind expressions of sympathy, the lovely floral offerings and the food so nicely prepared for our lunch.

Your comforting expressions of sympathy will always be remembered with deep gratitude. May God bless each of you.

The Nichols family

Charley Myers, who fell and broke his hip on Tuesday of last week is doing nicely in the Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth under the care of Dr. Horace Renshaw. Mrs. Charley Erice, accompanied her father and is staying with him at the hospital.

Let me not to the marriage of true minds admit impediments. William Shakespeare

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to action of the Democratic primaries:

For County Judge:
J. A. SIMMONS

For Commissioner:
Precinct One and Six:
EDGAR STARNES
THURMAN COOK
RELECTION

For County Clerk:
C. M. (Charlie) MAXWELL
TOMMIE O'HARA
CLYDE SLIMP

For Tax Assessor-Collector:
J. WALLACE BRADY
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For County Attorney:
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RELECTION

For Sheriff:
CARL (ROOK) RAMSEY
RELECTION

For County Treasurer:
C. A. MAPLES
RELECTION

For Justice of the Peace,
Precinct One:
C. M. (Cush) Quisenberry
RELECTION

For Commissioner,
Precinct Three:
BOB CLEVELAND
JOHN A. BARNES
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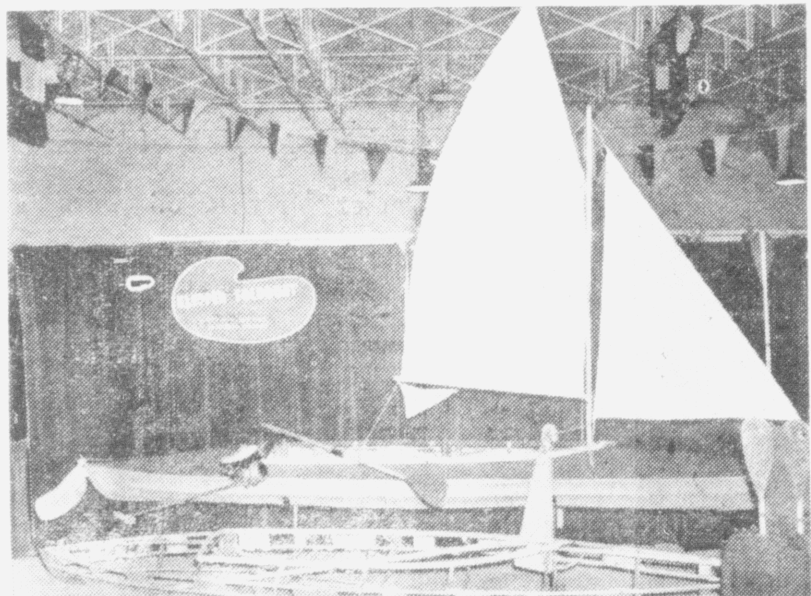
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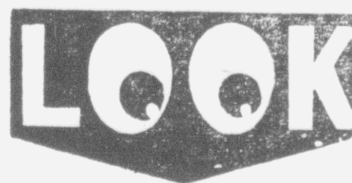
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Small Farmers Aim At Highest Levels Of Farm Production

Greater production than ever before is the goal of farmers cooperating with the Farmers Home Administration, O. Ray Brown, FHA supervisor for Wise, Montague Counties, said today.

To achieve the new record, agency borrowers are planning better balanced crop and livestock programs, analyzing ways to keep family members more fully employed, adopting systems for better land use and more productive or "bigger acres," increasing farm efficiency through proper machinery and equipment, and improving inadequate housing. In this area, special stress will be put on improved pastures and livestock.

The aim of higher yields from present land and labor is a part of the national production campaign for 1952, in which all farmers and agricultural agencies are participating.

The Farmers Home Administration makes supervised loans to qualified applicants, unable to obtain suitable loans elsewhere, to own, improve, or operate farms, or acquire better household farm buildings.

"Because of the general shortage of manpower," Brown pointed out, "numerous farmers are coming to us to learn how they can make fuller use of under-employed labor in their families. Systems followed on many small farms in this locality, as well as elsewhere,



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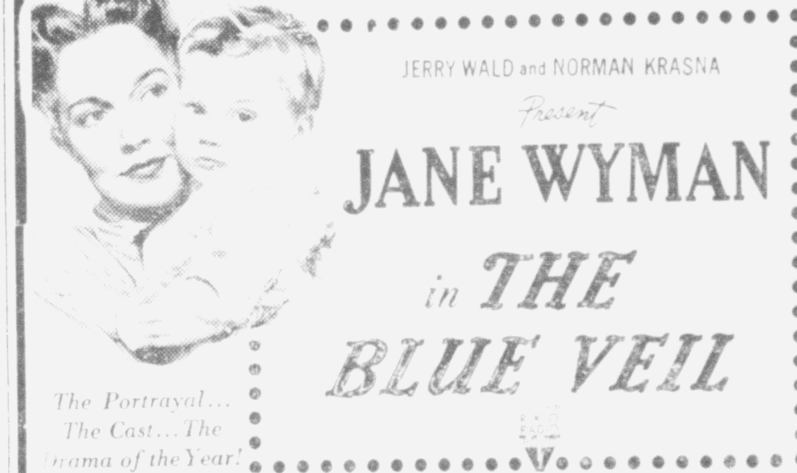


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Decatur Girls and Boys Place On All District Basketball Teams For 1952

Slidell Grade School Boys Make Good In Basketball Too

The Slidell Grade School Basketball boys played in the Wise County Grade School Tournament at Chico Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday nights. The team won the first place trophy by defeating the teams from Chico, Alvord, and Newark.

The Slidell girls also entered in the tournament. The team beat Chico, and then lost to Alvord. The third game was with Newark, and after tying the score and having to play an over time, the Slidell girls were defeated by two points, which made Newark win third place and the Slidell girls received consolation in the tournament.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Service 7:30 P. M.
Ladies Bible Class Tuesday
..... 2:45 P. M.
Mid-Week Service. 7:30 P. M.
A cordial invitation is extended to everyone.

Rev. E. Howell, Minister

Story from preceding page can live better and produce more of the nation's needed food and fiber.

"As small farmers do everything they can to adjust their farming systems to full year-round productive and profitable employment," Brown said, "families and communities alike will gain, and their teamwork will further strengthen American agriculture."

Decatur High School basketball team closed their season the past week after a successful schedule. The girls won the Decatur Baptist College invitation tournament for the second straight year and they placed second in the Burleson and Mansfield tournaments.

The girls finished second to Nocona in the district this year after defeating them twice.

During the season the girls won 22 games losing 10. Six of the ten games were lost before Christmas. They scored 1166 points, an average of 36 point per game, to the opponents 955 points. Oleta Hall scored 578 points during the season for a game average of 17 points.

Nelda Taggart won all tournament guard honors at Decatur and Burleson and was on the all district team with Oleta Hall at forward. Patsy Patterson at forward and Janett Shirley won second team places. Eola Hall, forward, Wanda Rawle and Sellers at guard received honorable mention.

The girls expect to have a fine team next year as they lose only Patsy Patterson and will gain some fine prospects from the eighth grade.

BOYS WIN DISTRICT HONORS TOO

In the boys division, Decatur placed two boys on the all district basketball second team. Cooper and Matney Gantt was given honorable mention.

ASSISTANT MANAGER

J. R. Coats has been appointed assistant manager of the Decatur Telephone Co. It was announced this week.

DO YOU KNOW YOUR DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMEN IN VARIOUS PRECINCTS OF WISE COUNTY? HERE THEY ARE

Do you know your Wise County Democratic chairman for the various county voting boxes?

We thought you might be interested, so the list by voting box is printed below.

Voting box number 6 at Audubon, 7 at Sycamore, 21 at Bethel and 28 at Balsora do not have a chairman, but will be appointed June 15th by the Democratic Executive Committee, J. Wallace Brady, secretary of the county committee informs us.

Wise County Democratic Executive Committee
J. M. Gibbons, County Chairman, Decatur, Texas
J. Wallace Brady, Secretary, Decatur, Texas

S. L. Hardwick, Prec. 1, North Decatur, Decatur, Texas

T. L. Tucker, Prec. 2, South Decatur, Decatur, Texas

E. B. Fortenberry, Prec. 3, Slidell, Slidell, Texas

J. E. Witherspoon, Prec. 4, Greenwood, Greenwood, Texas

J. W. Edwards, Prec. 8, Nickelville, Alvord, Texas

J. E. Smith, Prec. 9, Alvord, Alvord, Texas

W. J. Monroe, Prec. 10, Park Springs, Park Springs, Texas

J. B. Blanton, Prec. 11, Crafton, Chico, Texas

Mark Marshall, Prec. 12, Chico, Chico, Texas

Clyde McCurdy, Prec. 13, Bridgeport, Bridgeport, Texas

W. C. Hodze, Prec. 14, Prairie Point, Alvord, Texas

H. C. Kennedy, Prec. 15, Willow Point, Vineyard, Texas

L. R. Woods, Prec. 16, Boonsville, Boonsville, Texas

W. H. Coffee, Prec. 17, Paradise, Texas, Paradise, Texas

T. M. Coffman, Prec. 18, Cottondale, Paradise, Texas

G. W. Kinsey, Prec. 19, Garvin, Boyd, Texas

O. L. Hagood, Prec. 20, Keeter, Boyd, Texas

E. F. Ford, Prec. 23, Briar, Azle, Texas

H. F. Hill, Prec. 24, Newark, Newark, Texas

Y. W. Renshaw, Prec. 25, Rhome, Rhome, Texas

Edd Bowen, Prec. 27, Boyd, Boyd, Texas

Mrs. R. Cal McCurdy, Prec. 30, Plewett, Decatur, Texas

O. R. Watson, Prec. 31, Red Willow, Chico, Texas

Prec. 6, Audoban

Prec. 7, Sycamore

Prec. 21, Bethel

Prec. 28, Balsora

Vacant, chairman to be appointed June 15th by the Democratic Executive Committee.

The party precinct conventions, applicable to both Democratic and Republican parties, will be held on the first Saturday in May between the hours of 10 a. m. and 8 p. m., specific hour and place of meeting to be set by County or Precinct chairman.

The county convention of each party will be held on the following Tuesday, and each precinct convention is entitled to elect one delegate to the county convention for each 25 votes (or major fraction thereof) cast for the party's nominee for Governor at the last preceding general election.

There shouldn't be any secret about the conventions since each party chairman in each county is required by law to post notices at the courthouse 10 days before the conventions, giving the place and the hour of each meeting. Every voting citizen has a right to attend.

The new Texas election code, which was adopted last year, is designed among other things, to take these party conventions out of wraps and at least make certain that the citizens know when and where they are going to take place.

In the past, in many counties, the party conventions have been such quiet affairs that few citizens have been aware of their existence. The party machinery by which the Democratic party nominates its presidential candidates get rolling, long before national convention time.

The machinery is set up for both parties—the dates are set by law, and public notices of time and place are required. It is up to the citizens to see that the regulations are carried out.

The new law takes a big step in eliminating "proxy" voting in the state conventions. County delegates, hereafter, will have to attend in person.

Will Visit Decatur K-P's Tuesday Night



James Palasota, Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, from Temple will make an official visit with the Decatur Lodge Tuesday night, March 11 at 7:30.

A social meeting and refreshments will follow the regular meeting. Members are expected to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tackel visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Spraggins in Fort Worth Sunday.

Mrs. J. G. Forester, who has been ill in the Methodist Hospital in Dallas is improving and was removed to her home here Wednesday.

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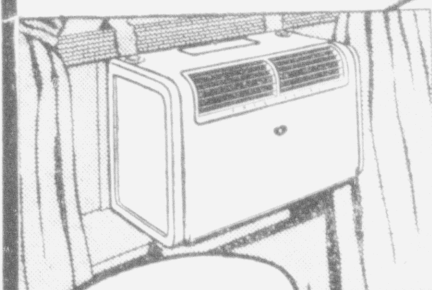
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Roy E. Howell of Alvord New Minister of Church of Christ Here

Roy E. Howell comes to Decatur from Alvord as the new pastor of the Decatur Church of Christ. He had been in Alvord the past year, and has been an active minister for thirty years.

A native of Cleburne, he has held pastorates in East Texas and Oklahoma. He asks the fellowship of the entire community in his work here.

BIRTHS

Births Recorded In Wise County

Born to Messrs. and Mines:
Lynn Burris, boy, Lanny
Barnes, Jan. 2, 1952.
Curt T. Clower, girl, Glenda
Ruth, Jan. 3, 1952.
Robert H. Conner, boy, Jerry
Alan, Jan. 22, 1952.
Marvin Wallace Ford, boy,
Wanda Jean, Jan. 5, 1952.
D. C. Fite, girl, Regina Gale,
Jan. 17, 1952.
Tennis Florida, girl, Betty Jo,
Jan. 21, 1952.
James Milton Johnson, boy,
John Lee, Jan. 11, 1952.
Floyd W. Moore, girl, Glenda
Ann, Jan. 15, 1952.
Arthur Martinez, girl, Linda
Rose, Jan. 4, 1952.
Albert C. Morris, Jr., girl,
Martha Lee, Jan. 15, 1952.
Kenneth E. Orr, boy, Ken-
neth Wayne, Jan. 18, 1952.
Thurman C. Rhine, boy,
Stephen Charles, Jan. 27.
Johnnie L. Richardson, boy,
James, Jan. 2, 1952.
Ray Rhine, boy, Dan Edward,
Jan. 8, 1952.
Samuel W. Renshaw, Jr.,
girl, Rebecca Ann, Jan. 6.
Bobby Wayne Washburn, girl,
Pamela Sue, Jan. 12, 1952.
William E. Wooliver, girl,
Carroll Ruth, Jan. 26, 1952.

Wayne E. Williamson, son,
Gary Wayne, Jan. 15, 1952.
George H. Barnett, son, Geo-
ge Gary, Jan. 30, 1952.
Robert E. Byrnes, girl, Ro-
berta Kay, Jan. 24, 1952.
John B. Boulware, girl,
Paula Ann, Jan. 13.
Louie L. Courtright, girl,
Cone Estell, February 4.
Harold G. Davis, girl, Brenda
May, girl, Linda Fay, Jan. 6.
Almus T. Dickenson, boy,
Larry David.
Avery E. Erwin, Jody Harold,
Jan. 12.
A. Z. Kennedy, girl, Joyce
Lavern, Feb. 3.
James R. Manley, boy, Wil-
lies Gene, Jan. 18.
Emmit A. Womack, girl,
Linda June, Dec. 24, 1951.
Merle M. Wanz, boy, Merle
Allen, Dec. 28, 1951.
Herman G. Weatherby
Beverly June, Jan. 15, 1952.

Marriage Licenses Issued In County

Samuel Thomas Rose, Edith
Boring, December 29, 1951.
Alben Webb Roberts, Mary
M. Simpson, January 5, 1952.
Benny Earl Price, Rena Lois
Carlisle, January 5, 1952.
Norman Ray Mayfield, Nor-
ma Carol Edwards, January 7.
T. R. Whitehead, Omaha Lan-
ch Smith, Jan. 8.
Richard Carl Smith, Alice
Winona Bush, Jan. 12.
William H. Vandergrift,
Louise Rue, Jan. 12.
Joe C. Cross, Annie Marie
Blevins, Jan. 11.
Curtis Roy Young, Lena
Marie Young, Jan. 15.
Dan Turner Keen, Joyce Mae
Barber, Jan. 29.
Leo Carroll Nall, Rosie Myrtle
McCraw, Jan. 23.
Ray Lynn Kahlfeh, Joyce
Ann Cook, Jan. 24.
Thomas M. Fly, Jennie May
Joseph, Jan. 30.
Rayford C. Story, Joyce Ann
Parsons, Jan. 30.
Willie E. Barnes, Mary
Slaughter, Feb. 2.
John Robert Shaw, Opal
Joyce Taylor, Feb. 2.
James P. Farrell, Jimmie
Marie Johnston, Feb. 2.
Quint R. Boydston, Della
Debbie Head, Feb. 2.
Bobbie E. Prescott, Kathrine
Browning, Feb. 5.
Orville Milton Rhine, Maggie
Zoe Christman, Feb. 8.

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Gene Haynes, Feb. 13.

Services Held For Bob Rowan Saturday In Carlsbad, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rowan and Allen Rowan of Fort Worth returned Sunday night from attending the funeral Saturday at Canyon, Texas, of Robert E. (Bob) Rowan who died at his home in Carlsbad, New Mexico, Wednesday February 27 at six o'clock of a heart attack. He suffered a similar attack in 1950.

He was born April 15, 1899, ed his bachelor degree at Bay-
near Rhome, Texas. He received
University and took his
Masters at the University of Ill.
Rowan taught in Texas a-
bout five years and spent a
total of thirteen years in New
Mexico in the educational field.
He had been administrator and
teacher in Carlsbad public
schools since 1945 and was serv-
ing as mathematics instructor
in the Alta Vista Junior High
school this semester.

Rowan was a member of the
Baptist Church and the Elks

Lodge in Carlsbad. He formerly
belonged to the Kiwanis Club
until his illness in 1950. He
also was a member of Canyon.
Texas Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife,
Fern, and two sons, Robert Jr.,
of Oak Ridge, Tenn., Thomas C.
of Champaign, Ill., one daughter
Mrs. T. E. Jamison, Las Cruces,
New Mexico.

New Mexico, Three bro's, J. H.
Rowan, Decatur, Texas, Tom of
Amarillo, Texas, Rev. J. B.
Springlake, Texas, three sis-
ters, Mrs. G. G. Bullard, Amar-
illo, Texas, Mrs. Murrey Evans,
Tulia, Texas, Mrs. J. C. Dowd
of Canyon, Texas and two
grand children.

The Rowan family were pio-
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COURT HOUSE RECORDINGS DEEDS

Alice Young Bogey et al—
Thurman Parson
Ernest A. Gosnell et ux—L.
C. Snow
Mark Gore et ux—J. D.
Daughty
Dave Godby et ux—J. R.
Nance et ux
M. A. Hutchens—Marvin L.
McFarland
Linnie Kennedy et al—Bed-
ford Kennedy

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C. H. Roberts—Carl Roberts
Wallace S. Yale et ux—E. P.
Cowling
J. H. Rowan et ux—Edward
F. Rowan
J. H. Rowan et ux—Allen T.
Rowan
J. T. Rowan et ux—Durward
Rowan et al
J. H. Rowan et ux—Eileen
Burge
J. H. Rowan et ux—Pearl
Cox
Eligah Beard—John M. Hed-
gecoke

RELEASES
First National Bank, Deca-
tur—Wallace S. Yale et ux
First National Bank, Bridge-
port—W. E. Hembree
Alvord National Bank—W.
A. Forsyth

TRANSFER
T. B. Lumsden—First Na-
tional Bank, Bridgeport
MINERAL DEED
Mattie Clark et vir—George
Isbell

L. A. Stemmons—L. S. Stem-
mons

CEMETERY DEED
City of Bridgeport—Mrs. B.
F. Taylor

ASSIGNMENT OF ROYALTY
J. Kirk Johnson et al—Josef
Foust et al

ROYALTY DEED
George Isbell—Walter H.
Baxter, Jr.
George Isbell—Hassie Griffin

Mary Cates Moore—J. H.
Cates et al

DEED OF TRUST
H. J. Manning et ux—Feder-
el Land Bank, Houston

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Walter H. Gant—Bolin Oil
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E. Wright
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Manson Harris—W. R. Wig-
ley, Jr. et al
RELEASE of OIL and GAS
W. O. Tyson—E.F. Wright et
ux
ASSIGNMENT of OIL and GAS
W. B. Ulmer—W. T. White-
hurst
Paul J. Watson et al—War-
ren E. Wright
ASSIGNMENT & AGREEMENT
Clarence A. Wheeler, trustee,
—W. B. Ulmer

RATIFICATION
Bright, Schiff & Kennedy—
Flora Munn et vir
Wilma Hall et vir—Bright,
Schiff & Kennedy
May Johnson et vir—Bright,
Schiff & Kennedy

RELEASES OIL & GAS
Cities Service Oil Co.—Roy
M. Hanna et ux
Cities Service Oil Co.—W. A.
Rhoads

GAS PURCHASE
Mid - Continent Petroleum
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ASSIGNMENTS OF OIL &
GAS
Alex J. Hickey—Marvin A.
Stout et ux

J. M. Hickey et al—Daniel
Oil Co. Inc.
Harwicke & Harwicke—War-
ren E. Wright

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Oil Co.
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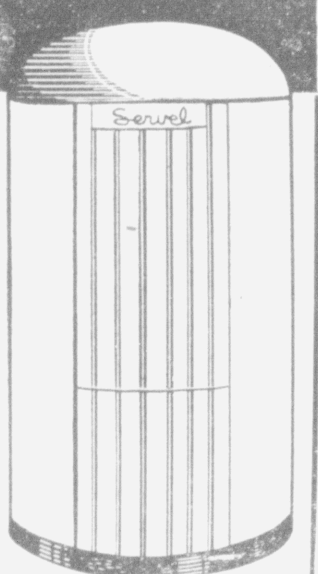
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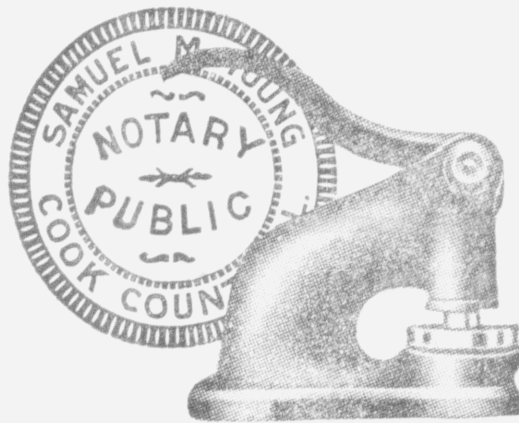
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Once Upon a Time

Interesting Items from the files of THE MESSENGER 25 and 50 Years Ago...



25 Years Ago

March 1827
Governor Moody has made one mistake in making appointments when he refused to give that game commissioner plum to the Decatur applicant he fell short.

Edgar Blewett, prominent grain dealer in Fort Worth was here Sunday. "This is my first visit to Decatur in over twenty years," he said to a Messenger reporter. My Business calls me to other sections of the state.

I have always thought the best folks on earth live in Decatur, and I suppose I will always consider it my old home town," Mr. Blewett said.

He is a son of the late George Blewett, prominent land owner and cattle dealer in Decatur long ago.

Miss Ada Harding was leader of a program on "The Texas

Cowboy," at the Owl Club Wednesday. Mrs. B. A. Man read "The Cowboy." The roll call was answered by bits of cowboy sentiment and Miss Baits discussed "John A. Lomax and His Works." Mrs. Oma Cartwright gave a splendid talk on "Frank Raugh and his views of the cowboy," which was followed by cowboy songs by Mrs. F. M. Kenny and Truett Wilson.

50 Years Ago

March 1902
The Boyd Index is proud of the fact that, of seven county papers in Wise County, five are prohibition. We refer to the Courier, The Wise County Messenger, The Decatur News and Bridgeport Reporter. Sidel the Boyd Index.

Of these, the last four and probably the Reporter also consistently refuse to take liquor advertisement at any price.

A clipo firm, shipped 900

dozen eggs to Fort Worth Monday.

Lee Russell went to Dallas last week and ordered a full stock of groceries for his store at Muse.

Rev. Fred Gentry did not go to Mt. Horeb to preach Sunday, as there is smallpox at that place.

T. L. Ball will be assisted in the post office by Claude Lewis and his sister, Miss Lila Ball.

Mrs. J. B. Ryan announces she will have her grand spring opening of millinery on March 25, at her parlors at the Red Store.

J. S. Lane will have to arrive now in a few days one of the most extensive and nicest lines of wash goods and taffeta silks from Marshall Fields and Co., Chicago, that has ever been shown here.

Harry May, Sr. who is a candidate for justice of the peace in this precinct was able to be up town Thursday after an extended illness.

Obituary Of Mrs. Isabel Waldrop

Isabel Dempsey Waldrop, born in Haygood County, N. C. August 28, 1878. She was married to Fitch W. Waldrop, November 22, 1891. They moved to Texas in 1899 from Tennessee.

They made their home in Texas until 1921 when they moved to Arkansas and were there until 1942 when they returned to Texas. They have been in Kennedale 4 years.

To this union was born 9 children, 6 boys and 3 girls, A. K. Waldrop, Conner, Arkansas; Jess Waldrop, Decatur, Texas; Elbert Waldrop, Boyd, Texas; Tom Waldrop, Decatur, Texas; Fred Waldrop, Harrison, Arkansas; Hubert Waldrop; Fort Worth; Cora Waldrop, deceased; Mrs. Clara Preston, Fort

Worth, Texas; Stella Franks, Kennedale.

She is also survived by 32 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren and a host of friends.

Mrs. Waldrop was converted soon after she and Mr. Waldrop were married, uniting with the Baptist Church. Later she became a member of the First Assembly of God Church at Boyd, Texas. There her membership remained until she departed this life.

She lived a faithful, loyal life and was a devoted wife and a child of God for all these years. She helped to establish the church in Kennedale and worked faithfully until incapacitated by illness but still had a deep interest in its progress.

She departed this life Thursday at her home in Kennedale at 1:30 a. m., February 21, 1952 leaving behind this group of loved ones, husband, children, grand and great grandchildren, friends and neighbors, with many pleasant memories of good deeds, words and actions of Mrs. Waldrop.

Funeral services were held at the Assembly of God Church in Boyd, Saturday February 23rd at two-thirty p. m. conducted by pastor Rev. Earl Gibson of Boyd, assisted by Reverends Henry Cook and Robert L. Leeder of Fort Worth.

Interment was in Boyd Cemetery with six grandsons acting pallbearers, Lee Sam, Clarence Waldrop, Lester Waldrop, Lee Allen, Willie Waldrop, and Glen Waldrop.

Kay Clark Elected Social Chairman At Oklahoma University

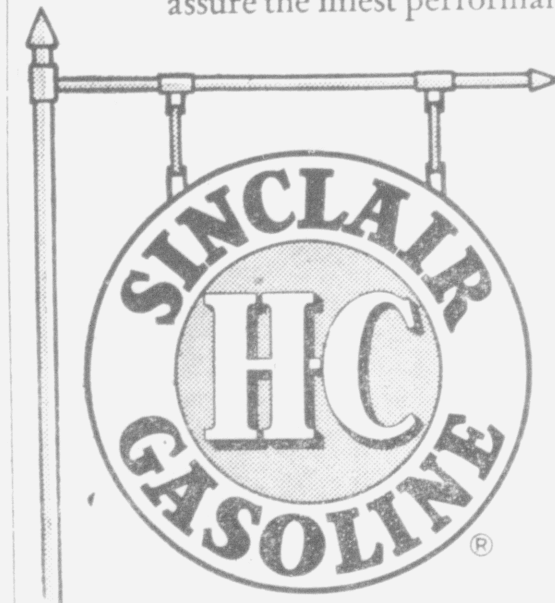
Kay Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Clark, of Route 3, Decatur, has been elected social chairman of Whitehand hall, dormitory for men at the University of Oklahoma, where he is a freshman majoring in engineering.

Other officers of Whiteland include George Scott, Cheyenne, president; Roger Hansen, Dallas, Texas, vice president; Bob Sigrest, Flora, Miss., secretary; Jack Burton, Poteau, treasurer; Wally Reif, Balbo, Canal Zone, athletic director; Howard Byars Plainview, Texas, planning chairman, and Jerry Wright, Enid, Beaver club president.



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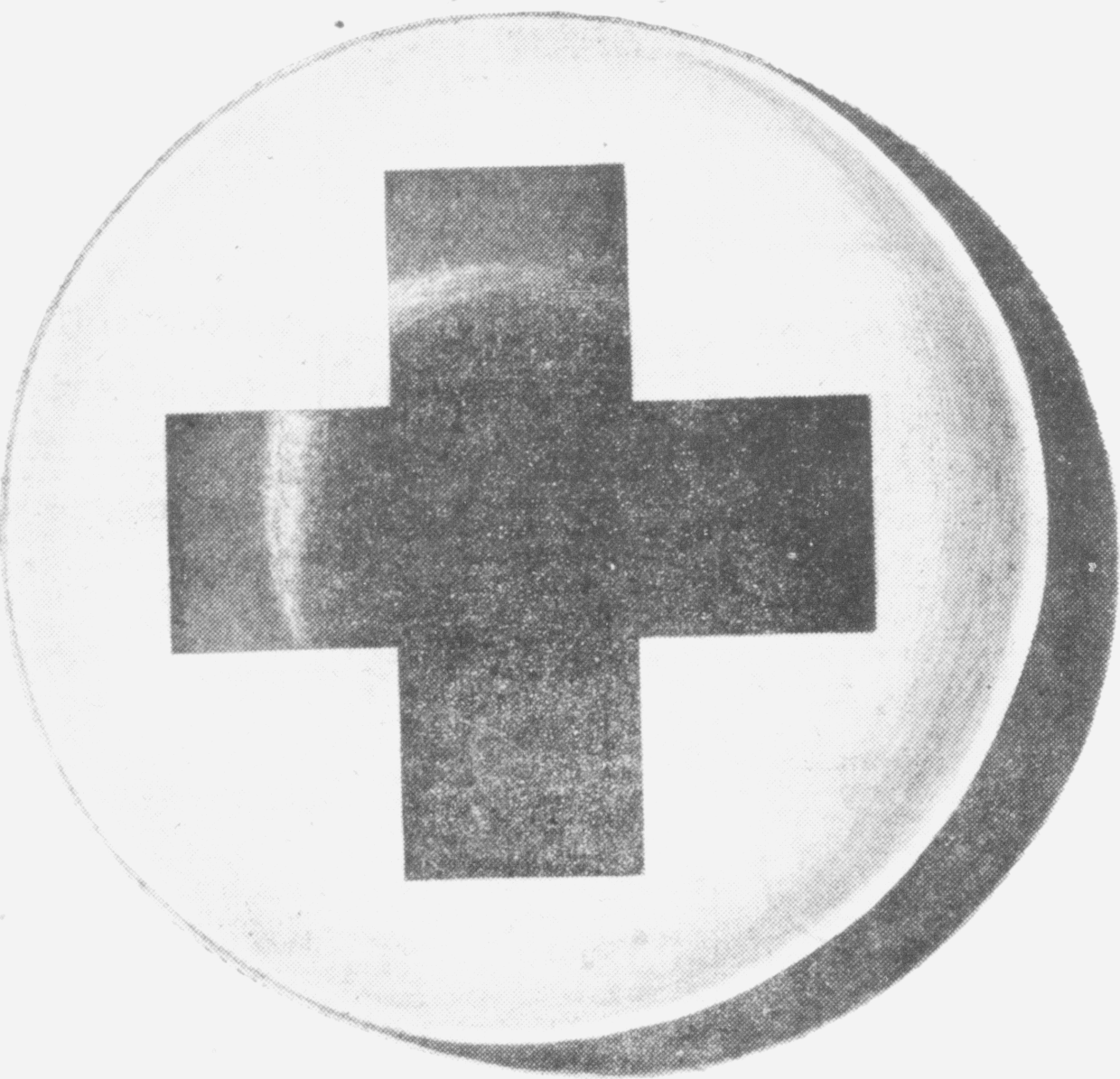
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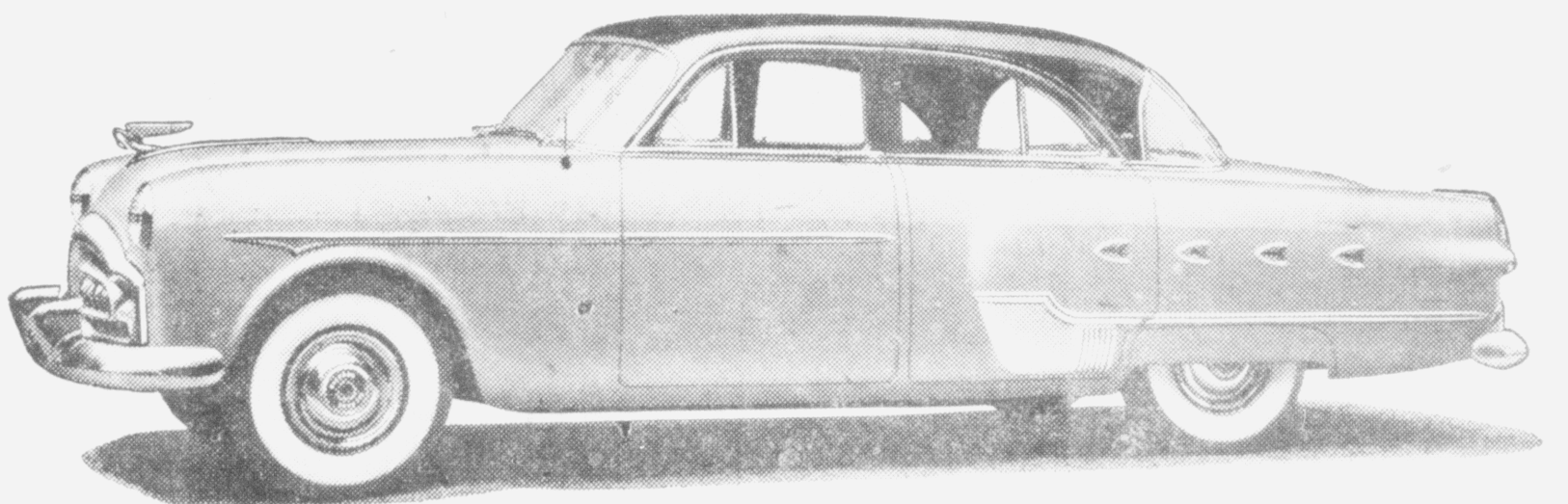
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TP&L Plans A New Power Plant In Red River County

Plans for constructing a new \$80,000-kilowatt electric power plant by Texas Power & Light Company in Red River County about 30 miles southeast of Paris and about 40 miles northeast of Sulphur Springs, were announced Saturday by TP&L president, W. W. Lynch.

Designated the Red Crest Stream Electric Station, the plant will be located on the Paris & Mt. Pleasant Railroad at the Sulphur River, about three miles southeast of Mt. Pleasant.

"There is every indication that the next few years will see continued rapid industrial growth in the TP&L service area," said Mr. Lynch, "and it is in anticipation of this growth and its corresponding increase in electric service requirements that the Company is expanding its facilities. This new plant will bolster the transmission network of the entire TP&L system."

The plant will be the latest outdoor type of station, consisting of one 80,000-kilowatt turbine generator. It will be designed to use gas, oil or solid fuel. The plant site is near large lignite reserves available to the company, Mr. Lynch said, and if this fuel is used, it will be processed according to the plan worked out for the Aluminum Company of America's plant at Sandow in Milan County.

Water requirements will be supplied from an off-channel lake having a capacity of approximately 6,000 acre-feet and filled by pumping flood water from the Sulphur River.

Texas Power & Light Company has acquired an interest in the Paris & Mt. Pleasant Railroad, pending arrangements for keeping the road in continued operation.

A sub-station will be built as part of the River Crest facilities, together with the necessary structures, busses and oil circuit breakers needed for connection to 132,000-volt transmission lines which will carry to power to various parts of northeast and central Texas, Mr. Lynch said.

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Mrs. B. J. Tandy of Big Springs and daughter Kathy Ann have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Duncan, Mrs. Tandy's parents, for the past ten days. Mr. Tandy also spent the week end with the Duncan's and returned with his wife and baby to Big Springs Sunday.

Bruton Baits from Houston visited relatives here last week and attended the funeral of Mrs. Mattie Brown.

M. E. McClung from Fort Worth was here on business Monday.

Ralph Man from Baylor University is spending a few days at home between terms.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Milligan and Captain Clarence Ford visited Mr. and Mrs. Gripon at Lampasas last week.

The R. T. Riegers enjoyed the rain Sunday, and in riding around, drove off on the shoulder in preparation to turning around. That's as far as they went, a truck pulled them back on the pavement.

The 4th and 5th grades are having a Texas program, "Bluebonnet Land," Thursday, March 13, at 7:30 o'clock in the High School building.

Admission prices, 15 and 25 cents.

Mrs. Lynn Yarrington, Bowie, Texas, with a group of her tap dancers will be our guests.

Mrs. Pearl Lewis has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McPherson at Nederland, Texas.

Mrs. H. W. Andrews of Dallas visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Shults over the week end.

Mmes. Cleo Rann and Clifford Reed, Misses Minnie Jo Hornback, Lela Jackson and Fay Cocanougher attended the District Conference of the Wesleyan Service Guild at Saint Jo Sunday.

Mrs. W. R. Cousins from Beaumont is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. W. R. Cannon, from Jacksboro, visited Miss Kathleen Carmack here Saturday.

BAKE SALE

The Women's Club will have a Bake Sale Saturday March 8, at Charley Rann's store.

Your patronage will be appreciated.

Proceeds go on payment of the resuscitator.

Mrs. Beatrice Burton, Mr. Marshall Shepard Married Saturday Eve

Mrs. Beatrice Burton and Marshall Shepard were united in marriage in an impressive double ring ceremony Saturday evening at five o'clock in the home of Reverend and Mrs. J. G. Forester.

Rev. Forester read the ceremony.

The only attendants were Mrs. Shepard's children, Kenneth and Barbara Burton, Mrs. Kenneth Payne and Mr. Payne.

Mrs. Shepard is employed with the First National Bank in Decatur and Mr. Shepard is employed with the Santa Fe R. R. in Cleburne.

The couple will make their home in Decatur.

Guest in the home of Mrs. J. D. Holt, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lyon of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Higgins of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. James Butler, Charline and Freddy of Lufkin, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Prunty, Gail and Martha of Jacksboro Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Helm, Jr., Mrs. Ethel Holt, Carl Christian, and Charlie Christian of Decatur.

The occasion of this gathering was in honor of Mrs. J. D. Holt's 83rd birthday.

She received many nice and useful gifts and greeting cards.

Miss Betty Jean Tadlock, Tadlock Weds Charles Bradford Saturday

Miss Betty Jean Tadlock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Volkman, became the bride of Charles William Bradford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bradford, in a ceremony solemnized Saturday evening in the First Baptist Church in Wichita Falls.

Dr. Landes, pastor of the church read the ceremony.

Mrs. Bradford is a graduate of the Forestburg High School and is now a nurse at the Decatur Clinic.

The groom was graduated from the Slidell High School and is now employed at the Marine Air Craft Base in Fort Worth.

The couple are living temporarily at the home of the groom's parents.

WSCS Has Regular Meeting Monday At the Church

Members of the Society of Christian Service met Monday March 3 in the church dining hall for a continuation of the study of "We Americans, North and South."

Preceding the luncheon hour a business session was held, during which Mrs. F. P. Martin and Mrs. George Black were elected, respectfully, delegate and alternate to conference which convenes in Paris, March 26-28.

Mmes. W. W. Brown, H. S. Ury and A. E. VanMeter were elected as nominating committee.

Mrs. M. C. Smith gave the afternoon devotional. In an interesting way she emphasized the lovely and spiritual gifts of both South and North America.

Mrs. Berta Rann was made a life member and honoring her, Mrs. Charles Rann sang her favorite hymn, "How Firm A Foundation." Rev. M. C. Smith led in a special prayer for the occasion.

Mrs. VanMeter directed the lesson. She was assisted by Mrs. CalMcCurdy who gave the last chapter in the text book. Mrs. I. B. Reed gave a brief story of the "Circuit Rider."

Next meeting of the society will be in circles. Mrs. Collins circle meets in the home of Mrs. Irene Lively, with Mrs. Corrine Stokes as co-hostess. Mrs. Workman, program director, Mrs. Black's circle meets with Mrs. F. M. Kenny. Mrs. Hornback will direct the program. Date of meeting, Monday March 10.

Winds Hit 65 Miles Friday and Sunday

Winds hit 65 miles an hour as gusts ushered in a dust-driven cold front here Friday, but rapidly diminished late in the day.

A light freeze was noted early Saturday, but no moisture was in sight. High Friday afternoon was 57 degrees.

The winds, strongest here in two years, uprooted trees, knocked down radio antennae, and toppled small signs. Visibility in the area was reduced to between three miles and one-half mile.

But February was warmer than usual. Temperatures averaged 59.1 compared to a normal of 47.7. Highest reading of the month was on Feb. 19, with 81. Lowest was 22 recorded on February 26. There were only seven days in which the temperature registered 32 or lower.

The norther blew dust over a large part of Texas. Austin reported checking dust reduced visibility to two miles. San Angelo and College Station

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter from Arlington were here Tuesday to get their little son, Mike, who had been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Ira Mailey.

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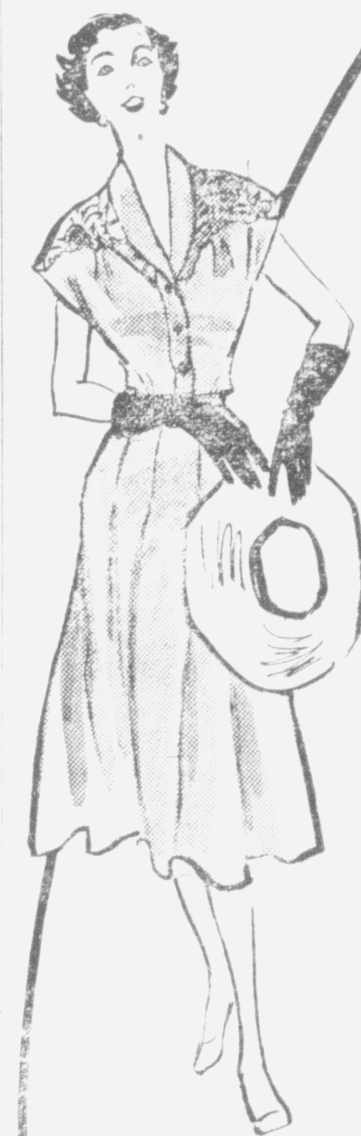
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CLOSED THURSDAYS

Milligans Honored On 40th Wedding Anniversary Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Milligan were very delightfully surprised



ed last Monday night, February 25th, on their 40th wedding anniversary, when about ten couples drove up to their home and served them a delicious 6 o'clock dinner.

All brought flowers and gifts to make the happy occasion a huge success, along with the lovely food.

Everyone enjoyed the banquet and had a real get-together party climaxing the affair with many more years of happiness for Mollie and Fred.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. and Mrs. Watson Clifton of Lubbock, Texas are the proud parents of a baby boy, Waton III who made his appearance in a Lubbock hospital Monday March 3. The young man weighed 6 pounds.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Eaton and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clifton, Decatur.

Attend Installation Ceremonies at NTS

As guests of retiring president and Mrs. W. J. McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Woodruff attended the ceremonies for the installation of Dr. J. C. Matthews as the fifth president of North Texas State College, and the dedication of a new Science and other buildings on the campus, Tuesday.

Also present for the occasion as the guests of the college was a former Decatur citizen, Hon. C. V. Terrell, who, as State Senator, was the author of the legislation creating the college as a state institution of

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Mrs. T. J. Dillehay visited Mrs. T. R. Downs in Fort Worth last week.

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